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TAGS: MARR, UNSC, IS, LE
SUBJECT: SAUNDERS APPOINTMENT

REF: JERUSALEM 1750

1. WE WERE NOT AWARE OF NEW RESPONSIBILITIES ASSIGNED TO JOHN SAUNDERS UNTIL RECEIPT OF REFTEL. THROUGH DISCREET INQUIRY WE HAVE NOW LEARNED ON CONFIDENTIAL BASIS THAT UNNY CONCLUDED THAT APPOINTMENT OF AIME AS POLITICAL ADVISER TO ERSKINE DID NOT MEET REQUIREMENTS AS HAD BEEN HOPED. NEED FOR SOMEONE IN BEIRUT STILL EXISTED. WE UNDERSTAND THAT IN DISCUSSION OF PROBLEM AMONG SYG AND HIS ADVISERS, BUFFUM NOTED THAT SAUNDERS, IN HIS VIEW, HAD DONE EXCELLENT JOB IN COORDINATING RELIEF EFFORT IN BEIRUT AND MOREOVER KNOWS ALL THE PLAYERS THERE. BUFFUM SUGGESTED SAUNDERS MIGHT SIMPLY BE GIVEN EXPANDED RESPONSIBILITY. THIS PROPOSAL WAS ACCEPTED. USG HAD NOTHING WHATSOEVER TO DO WITH THE APPOINTMENT AND, IN FACT, DID NOT EVEN KNOW DECISION HAD BEEN TAKEN.

2. USUN WOULD CERTAINLY SUPPORT EXPRESSION TO
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